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TOPIC Observations in Thuringia

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1 to 15 August 1949

- GREIZ (M 51/K 13): A number of new troops with black-bordered red epaulets arrived during the first half of August 1949. A motor vehicle repair shop was allegedly to be established in town. Motor vehicles, exclusively with four-digit numbers, were seen in town.

23 August to 1 September 1949

- NEUSTADT on the Orla River (M 51/J 84): No kommandatura and no occupation troops. Light motor vehicle traffic. The following motor vehicles passing through town were identified:

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16 to 31 August 1949

- POESSNECK (M 51/J 73): No kommandatura and no occupation troops. There was only a little through-traffic. The following motor vehicles were identified:

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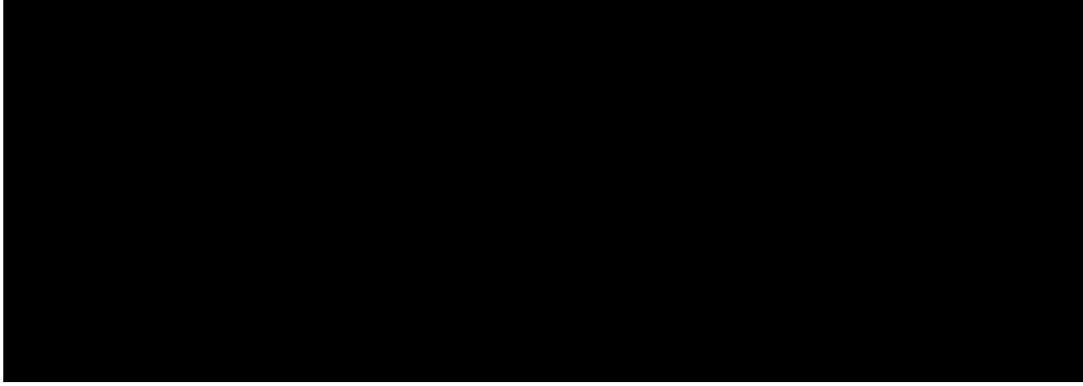
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11 to 25 July 1949

- MEICHENBACH (A 51/K 23): No kommandatura and no occupation troops. No through-traffic.

17 to 31 August 1949

- SCHLEIZ (A 51/J 82): County kommandatura in the former high school and SO- an SD guard detail, which relieved the previous guard unit on 22 July 1949. There was little through-traffic. The following motor vehicles were identified:
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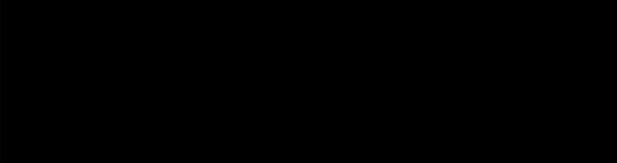
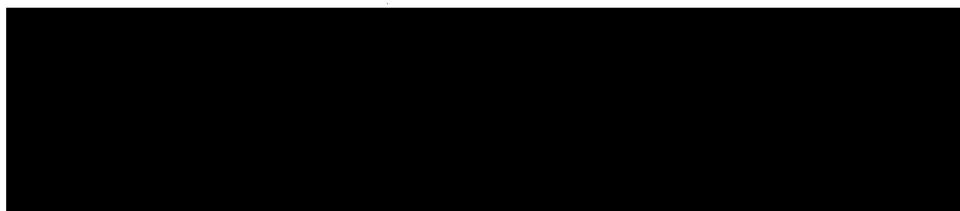
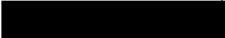
6 to 9 August 1949

- SUHL (A 51/J 82): Kommandatura with the following officers:

Chief: Lt Col SHANINOV

Deputy chief and political commissar: Lt Col KALUZUP

Another officer: Capt LAGUNOV.

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a. No Soviet troops have been stationed in SCHLEIZ. The statement that a motor vehicle repair shop allegedly was to be established there requires confirmation.

b. According to information from SCHLEIZ a source (F) supplied in March 1949, an operational NDS group allegedly moved from SCHLEIZ to ZOBERSWALD at that time. It is considered possible that an SD guard detail is still assigned to the SCHLEIZ county kommandatura.

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c. The report confirms the officers of the SUH kommandatura.

d. No Soviet troops were stationed in REUSTALT on the Orla river, POSCHMC and REICHLITZACH up to July and August 1949.

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